# RAJYA SABHA

***Friday the 15th December, 1995/24th Agrahayana, 1917 (Saka)***

The House met at eleven of the clock. **Mr. Chairman** in the Chair.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Good morning, Sir ...*(Interruptions)*...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Good morning ...*(Interruptions)*... Let it be a good morning ...*(Interruptions)*...

**श्री सतीश अग्रवाल:** महोदय, आज मोरारजी देसाई की फोटो लगी है इसलिए छुट्टी हो जाए। **(व्यवधान)**

MR. CHAIRMAN: Morarji would not have liked it.

...*(Interruptions)*...

DR. BIPLAB DASGUPTA: Mr. Chairman, Sir, have you decided on the House Committee?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: The House should be adjourned for the day.

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY: Sir, what about our notices for constitution of a House Committee?

...*(Interruptions)*...

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Sir, this is Question Hour and we have got a right to put questions. They cannot prevent us like this from putting our questions. Let them obstruct the proceedings during Government business. Question Hour is a right of the Private Members ...*(Interruptions)*...

SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: Mr. Narayanasamy, you are speaking from Minister's place. Go back to your seat. ...*(Interruptions)*...

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Mr. Chairman, Sir, Question Hour is a right of the Private Members. We have got a right to put our questions. If the Opposition wants, let it obstruct the Government business, but not the Question Hour.

**श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज:** सुख राम का इस्तीफा ...**(व्यवधान)**

SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Sir, the first question ...*(Interruptions)*...

SOME HON. MEMBERS: House Committeee ...*(Interruptions)*...

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: This is Question Hour. Don't obstruct the Question Hour ...*(Interruptions)*...

SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: If we are to adjourn the House, let us adjourn the House ...*(Interruptions)*...

SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Sir, why should we strain our throats? Kindly adjourn the House ...*(Interruptions)*...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Have a cup of tea. The House is adjourned till 12.00 noon.

The House then adjourned at two minutes past eleven of the clock.

The House reassembled at twelve of the clock, **The Deputy Chairman** in the Chair.

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## WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

### Prices of formulations

*281. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA:
SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRI:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) when the prices of formulations based on Mefanamic Acid, Trimipramine, Diosmine, Chlorpromazine, Lincomycin, Becampicillin, Framycetin and Captopril were fixed and what were these prices;

(b) their present prices and the reasons for not taking action against the offending companies;

(c) whether it is a fact that Government have not taken any action on the representations against wrong

including of the drugs under price control; and

(d) the details of the representations that have been received and reasons for not taking action thereon?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV): (a) and (b) The prices of formulations based on the bulk drugs Diosmine, Lincomycin, Becampicillin and Framycetin have been fixed under DPCO, 1995 and the details are given in the Statement (See below) Information regarding their present prices will be collected and laid on the Table of the House.

(c) and (d) Representations against inclusion of 19 drugs under price control have been received from 27 companies and one industry association. These cover a wide range of issues and require detailed examination. The final decision will be taken very soon.

**Statement**

*Price Approvals given for formulations based on the bulk drugs*

| Sl. No. | Name of the Formulation | Pack Size | Ceiling Price (Rs.) | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| I. DIOSMINE | | | | |
| (i) | Diosmine 150 mg Tab. | 10's Al/St | 20.18 (excluding ED) | Ceiling Price dtd 12-7-95 |
| (ii) | Diosmine 300mg Tab. | 10's Al/St | 39.18 (excluding ED) | -do- |
| (iii) | Diosmine 450mg+Hesperidin 50mg Tab. | 10's Al/St | 60.06 (excluding ED) | -do- |
| II. LINCOMYCIN | | | | |
| (i) | Lincomycin HCl (300mg/ml) | Inj.2ml Amp. | 9.14 (excluding ED) | -do- |
| (ii) | Lincomycin HCl (300mg/ml) | Inj.1ml Amp. | 5.20 (excluding ED) | -do- |
| (iii) | Lincomycin HCl 500mg | Caps.6Al/St. | 34.34 (excluding ED) | -do- |
| III. BECAMPICILLIN | | | | |
| (i) | Becampicillin Tabs. | 200mg2's Al/St. | 5.82 (excluding ED) | Celling Price dtd 2-8-95 |
| (ii) | Becampicillin Tabs. | 200mg4's Al/St. | 11.16 (excluding ED) | -do- |
| (iii) | Becampicillin Tabs. | 400mg2's Al/St. | 10.62 (excluding ED) | -do- |
| (iv) | Becampicillin Tabs. | 400mg4's Al/St. | 20.76 (excluding ED) | -do- |
| (v) | Penglobe 400mg Tabs. | 6's Al/St. | 39.02 (including ED) | Non ceiling price for Penglobe dtd. 5-12-95 |
| (vi) | Penglobe 400mg Tabs. | 6's Al/PVC Bliseter | 39.62 (including ED) | -do- |

| Sl. No. | Name of the Formulation | Pack Size | Ceiling Price (Rs.) | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| (vii) | Penglobe 200mg Tabs. | 6's Al/St. | 20.25 (including ED) | -do- |
| (viii) | Penglobe 200mg Tabs. | 6's Al/Pvc Blister | 20.05 (including ED) | -do- |
| IV. FRAMYCETIN | | | | |
| (i) | Framycetin Sulphate Eye Drops 5mg/ml | 5ml vial with dropper | 6.02 (including ED) | Ceiling price dtd 6-11-95 |
| (ii) | Procasedyl M Caps | 20's Bot. | 27.94 (including ED) | Non-ceiling price for M/s. Roussel dtd 5-10-95 |
| (iii) | Sofradex F Cream | 15gm Tube | 16.30 (including ED) | -do- |
| (iv) | Proctasedyl Ointment | 10gm Tube | 22.71 (including ED) | -do- |
| (v) | Framycetin Powder | 15gm Bot. | 11.03 (including ED) | -do- |
| (vi) | Sofracort E/E | 3ml Vial | 10.15 (including ED) | -do- |
| (vii) | Soframycin Cream | Skin20gm Tube | 12.47 (including ED) | -do- |
| (viii) | Soframycin Cream | Skin100gm Tube | 47.94 (including ED) | -do- |
| (ix) | Soframycin Oint. | Opthalmic5gm Al/Tube | 6.40 (including ED) | Non ceiling price for M/s. Roussel dtd 19-10-95. |

**Seminar on Education**

*282. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Seminar on Education was held in New Delhi in the last week of October this year, to discuss some of the basic issues, including the desirability to make primary education compulsory, reducing the School-bag-load, reorientaiton of the examination system, and promoting vocational education;

(b) if so, the specific suggestions and observations made therein and the consensus emerged on these and other issues discussed therein; and

(c) the Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) A seminar was held in Delhi on October 26-27, 1995. Many suggestions were received on the themes of Compulsory Primary Education, Load of School Bag, Examination Reform,